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Christ calls upon Christians to grow always. II P. 3:18.


Question: To what am I converted? Plan, Building, church or to the leader of the souls of men: Christ.

I. ARE YOU CONVERTED TO A PLAN OF SALVATION?

A. Some are converted to the plan in place of PLANNER.
   1. Preacher at Greenville, Tex. accused of not preaching gospel. Preached on Prodigal Son etc.
   2. Why settle for one piece of pie when can have all?

B. Some have practiced a form of "once saved always saved".
   1. Obey 5 steps and Heaven assured. False! Luke 17:10

   1. Apostles knew object of conversion: Christ.
   2. Hard to fall in love with a plan; easy the Planner.

II. ARE YOU CONVERTED TO THE CHURCH OF CHRIST BUILDING?

A. Some converted more to building than the Builder?
      a. A building, but no spirit of Christ. Phil. 2:15,34

B. Some brethren love the building like sacred shrine.
   1. Say: Building just for worship and study ONLY?
      a. Want book, chapter and verse for that! Bldg???
         (1) Same verse that sanctions building itself
         b. If find plan for bldg. and use of it, lets see if
         c. Some contend its wrong to enjoy a meal on the premises. Why? "Houses to eat in!" 300???

C. You'll be interested in the many uses of our building.
   2. Clothing store. Store clothes for the needy. Home?
   3. Watering station for the thirsty. Many outsiders.
   4. Storage depot. Lawn mowers, chairs, hosp. beds etc
   5. Office building. Three worker's offices.
   6. Rest room headquarters. Scripture for that???
   7. Printing shop and stationary store.
   8. Library and study hall.
   9. Meeting place for worship.
   10. Meeting place for Bible Study.
   11. Hospital and canteen in time of disester.
D. Christ taught devotion to God, not brick and lime. John 4:24.
E. Was I wrong when I preached in Tippo, Miss. school cafeteria? They had houses to preach in! Not for 100 tho.

III. ARE YOU CONVERTED TO THE CHURCH OF CHRIST?
A. Some more converted to Christians than to Christ.
   1. Anchor faith to one who baptized them. I Cor. 1.
      a. If preacher moves, "I'm going to quit." Etc.
      (1) Ill. Henry Ward Beecher to be absent.
         Bro. Said: "But, God will be here."
   2. Place all trust in Elder, teacher or members.
      a. If that frail and weak model falls away this
         admirer also falls away. Converted to Whom?
      a. Need faith in Christ if whole world goes bad. Heb. 13:

IV. IF YOU ARE CONVERTED TO CHRIST.....THEN:
A. You will have the mind of Christ. Phil. 2:5.
B. You will have the spirit of Christ.
   2. Implicit trust. Phil. 4:6-7.
C. You will live out the plea of Christ.
INV. D. You will obey His simple gospel.
   1. Study His Word and Believe in Him.
   2. Repent of past wrongs and improve.
   3. Confess Christ in primary obedience and
      all the rest of your life.
   4. Be baptized to please Christ. Mark 16:15-16.